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SENATE BILL

No. 619

**Introduced by Senator Yee
(Coauthors: Senators Lara and Wyland)**

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An act to add Section 33319.4 to the Education Code, and to amend Section 19995 of the Government Code, relating to state employees.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 619, as amended, Yee. State employees: training: civics orientation.

Existing law requires the Department of Human Resources (CalHR) to devise plans for and cooperate with appointing powers and other supervising officials in the conduct of employee training programs so that the quality of service rendered by persons in the state civil service may be continually improved.

This bill would require the State Department of Education, on or before January 1, 2015, to develop and make available online a state employee civics orientation on federal and state government. ~~The bill would require private matching funds before any appropriation to the State Department of Education for those purposes is encumbered, subject to a determination by the Department of Finance that sufficient private funding has been secured to support those activities.~~ The bill would require, if the orientation is developed *as prescribed*, an appointing power or other supervising official for an employee hired, promoted, or reclassified after July 1, 2015, to certify annually to CalHR that the employee has completed that orientation.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 33319.4 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

3 33319.4. (a) On or before January 1, 2015, the State
4 Department of Education ~~shall, to the extent that moneys may be~~
5 ~~encumbered pursuant to Education, if funding has been determined~~
6 *to be secured in accordance with subdivision (b), shall develop*
7 *and make available online a state employee civics orientation on*
8 *federal and state government to facilitate a basic understanding of*
9 *the responsibilities and operation of the three branches of*
10 *government and the importance of civic engagement. The*
11 *orientation shall include practical examples and shall be updated*
12 *as necessary.*

13 ~~(b) Moneys, or a portion of moneys, appropriated to the State~~
14 ~~Department of Education by the Legislature for the development~~
15 ~~of the orientation pursuant to subdivision (a) shall not be~~
16 ~~encumbered unless the total amount encumbered is matched by~~
17 ~~private funds. Moneys appropriated that are not matched by private~~
18 ~~funds shall revert to the General Fund.~~

19 *(b) The online orientation described in subdivision (a) shall be*
20 *developed and made available pursuant to this section only after*
21 *the Department of Finance determines that private funds, in an*
22 *amount sufficient to fully support the activities described in*
23 *subdivision (a), have been deposited with the state. If the*
24 *Department of Finance determines that sufficient funding has been*
25 *secured to support those activities, the Department of Finance*
26 *shall file a written statement with the Secretary of the Senate, the*
27 *Chief Clerk of the Assembly, and the Legislative Counsel*
28 *memorializing that this determination has been made.*

29 SEC. 2. Section 19995 of the Government Code is amended
30 to read:

31 19995. (a) The department shall devise plans for and cooperate
32 with appointing powers and other supervising officials in the
33 conduct of employee training programs so that the quality of
34 service rendered by persons in the state civil service may be
35 continually improved.

1 (b) The appointing power or other supervising official for an
2 employee hired, promoted, or reclassified after July 1, 2015, using
3 existing processes and resources, ~~shall~~, if the employee training
4 described in Section 33319.4 of the Education Code is ~~developed~~,
5 *developed in accordance with that section*, shall certify annually
6 to the department that the employee has completed this employee
7 training.

8 (c) If the provisions of this section are in conflict with the
9 provisions of a memorandum of understanding reached pursuant
10 to Section 3517.5, the memorandum of understanding shall be
11 controlling without further legislative action, except that if ~~such~~
12 *those* provisions of a memorandum of understanding require the
13 expenditure of funds, the provisions shall not become effective
14 unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act.

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